

AMENDMENTS TO SPECIFICATION

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[0048] An embodiment of the invention is a hydroxycitric acid composition for reducing body weight wherein said composition comprises approximately 14 to 26% by weight of calcium, and approximately 24 to 40% by weight of potassium or approximately 14 to 24% by weight of sodium, or a mixture thereof, each calculated as a percentage of the total hydroxycitric acid content of said composition, wherein the sodium comprises less than approximately 2% by weight.

[0049] An embodiment of the invention is a hydroxycitric acid composition for reducing body weight wherein said composition comprises approximately 14 to 26% by weight of calcium, and approximately 24 to 40% by weight of potassium or approximately 14 to 24% by weight of sodium, or a mixture thereof, each calculated as a percentage of the total hydroxycitric acid content of said composition, wherein the calcium comprises approximately 18 to 26% by weight.

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calcium, and approximately 24 to 40% by weight of potassium or approximately 14 to 24% by weight of sodium, or a mixture thereof, each calculated as a percentage of the total hydroxycitric acid content of said composition, wherein the potassium comprises approximately 28 to 36% by weight.

[0051] An embodiment of the invention is a hydroxycitric acid composition for reducing body weight wherein said composition comprises approximately 14 to 26% by weight of calcium, and approximately 24 to 40% by weight of potassium or approximately 14 to 24% by weight of sodium, or a mixture thereof, each calculated as a percentage of the total hydroxycitric acid content of said composition, wherein the lactone forms of hydroxycitric acid comprise less than approximately 4 % by weight of the total hydroxycitric acid content of the composition.

[0052] An embodiment of the invention is a dietary supplement composition for reducing body weight comprising a hydroxycitric acid composition of at least approximately 40% by weight of total hydroxycitric acid which further comprise approximately 5 to 13% by weight of calcium, and approximately 9 to 20% by weight of potassium or approximately 5 to 12% by weight of sodium, or a mixture thereof, each calculated as a percentage of the total weight of said hydroxycitric acid composition.

[0053] An embodiment of the invention is a dietary supplement composition for reducing body weight comprising a hydroxycitric acid composition of at least approximately 40% by weight of total hydroxycitric acid which further comprise approximately 5 to 13% by weight of calcium, and approximately 9 to 20% by weight of potassium or approximately 5 to 12% by weight of sodium, or a mixture thereof, each calculated as a percentage of the total weight of said hydroxycitric acid composition, wherein the hydroxycitric acid composition comprises approximately 55-65 % by weight.

[0054] An embodiment of the invention is a dietary supplement composition for reducing body weight comprising a hydroxycitric acid composition of at least approximately 40% by weight of total hydroxycitric acid which further comprise approximately 5 to 13% by weight of calcium, and approximately 9 to 20% by weight of potassium or approximately 5 to 12% by weight of sodium, or a mixture thereof, each calculated as a percentage of the total weight of said hydroxycitric acid composition, wherein the hydroxycitric acid composition comprises approximately 55-65 % by weight, wherein the calcium comprises approximately 9 to 13 % by weight.

[0055] An embodiment of the invention is a dietary supplement composition for reducing body weight comprising a hydroxycitric acid composition of at least approximately 40% by weight of total hydroxycitric acid which further comprise approximately 5 to 13% by weight of calcium, and approximately 9 to 20% by weight of potassium or approximately 5 to 12% by weight of sodium, or a mixture thereof, each calculated as a percentage of the total weight of said hydroxycitric acid composition, wherein the hydroxycitric acid composition comprises approximately 55-65 % by weight, wherein the potassium comprises approximately 14 to 18% by weight.

[0056] An embodiment of the invention is a dietary supplement composition for reducing body weight comprising a hydroxycitric acid composition of at least approximately 40% by weight of total hydroxycitric acid which further comprise approximately 5 to 13% by weight of calcium, and approximately 9 to 20% by weight of potassium or approximately 5 to 12% by weight of sodium, or a mixture thereof, each calculated as a percentage of the total weight of said hydroxycitric acid composition, wherein the lactone forms of hydroxycitric acid comprise less than approximately 2% by weight of the total weight of the composition.

[0057] An embodiment of the invention is a dietary supplement composition for reducing body weight comprising a hydroxycitric acid composition of at least approximately 40% by weight of total hydroxycitric acid which further comprise approximately 5 to 13% by weight of calcium, and approximately 9 to 20% by weight of potassium or approximately 5 to 12% by weight of sodium, or a mixture thereof, each calculated as a percentage of the total weight of said hydroxycitric acid composition, wherein the sodium comprises less than approximately 1 % by weight.

[0058] An embodiment of the invention is a food product for use in reducing body weight which comprises a prepared food product together with a hydroxycitric acid composition wherein said composition comprises at least approximately 40% by weight of hydroxycitric acid together with approximately 14 to 26% by weight of calcium, and approximately 24 to 40% by weight of potassium or approximately 14 to 24% by weight of sodium, or a mixture thereof, each calculated as a percentage of the total hydroxycitric acid content of said composition.

[0059] An embodiment of the invention is a food product for use in reducing body weight which comprises a prepared food product together with a hydroxycitric acid composition wherein said composition comprises at least approximately 40% by weight of hydroxycitric acid together with approximately 14 to 26% by weight of calcium, and approximately 24 to 40% by weight of potassium or approximately 14 to 24% by weight of sodium, or a mixture thereof, each calculated as a percentage of the total hydroxycitric acid content of said composition, wherein the hydroxycitric acid composition comprises approximately 55-65 % by weight.

[0060] An embodiment of the invention is a food product for use in reducing body weight which comprises a prepared food product together with a hydroxycitric acid composition wherein said composition comprises at least approximately 40% by weight of hydroxycitric acid

together with approximately 14 to 26% by weight of calcium, and approximately 24 to 40% by weight of potassium or approximately 14 to 24% by weight of sodium, or a mixture thereof, each calculated as a percentage of the total hydroxycitric acid content of said composition, wherein the hydroxycitric acid composition comprises approximately 55-65 % by weight, wherein the calcium comprises approximately 18 to 26% by weight.

[0061] An embodiment of the invention is a food product for use in reducing body weight which comprises a prepared food product together with a hydroxycitric acid composition wherein said composition comprises at least approximately 40% by weight of hydroxycitric acid together with approximately 14 to 26% by weight of calcium, and approximately 24 to 40% by weight of potassium or approximately 14 to 24% by weight of sodium, or a mixture thereof, each calculated as a percentage of the total hydroxycitric acid content of said composition, wherein the hydroxycitric acid composition comprises approximately 55-65 % by weight, wherein the potassium comprises approximately 28 to 36% by weight.

[0062] An embodiment of the invention is a food product for use in reducing body weight which comprises a prepared food product together with a hydroxycitric acid composition wherein said composition comprises at least approximately 40% by weight of hydroxycitric acid together with approximately 14 to 26% by weight of calcium, and approximately 24 to 40% by weight of potassium or approximately 14 to 24% by weight of sodium, or a mixture thereof, each calculated as a percentage of the total hydroxycitric acid content of said composition, wherein the sodium comprises less than approximately 2% by weight.

[0063] An embodiment of the invention is a food product for use in reducing body weight which comprises a prepared food product together with a hydroxycitric acid composition wherein said composition comprises at least approximately 40% by weight of hydroxycitric acid

together with approximately 14 to 26% by weight of calcium, and approximately 24 to 40% by weight of potassium or approximately 14 to 24% by weight of sodium, or a mixture thereof, each calculated as a percentage of the total hydroxycitric acid content of said composition, wherein the lactone forms of hydroxycitric acid comprise less than approximately 4% by weight of the total hydroxycitric acid content of the composition.

[0064] An embodiment of the invention is a food product for use in reducing body weight which comprises a prepared food product together with a hydroxycitric acid composition wherein said composition comprises at least approximately 40% by weight of hydroxycitric acid together with approximately 14 to 26% by weight of calcium, and approximately 24 to 40% by weight of potassium or approximately 14 to 24% by weight of sodium, or a mixture thereof, each calculated as a percentage of the total hydroxycitric acid content of said composition, wherein said hydroxycitric acid composition comprises approximately 0.001 to 25% by weight of the total weight of said prepared food product.

[0065] An embodiment of the invention is a method for reducing body weight which comprises administering to a mammal in need of such treatment an effective amount of a hydroxycitric acid composition wherein the hydroxycitric acid content of said composition comprises approximately 14 to 26% by weight of calcium, and approximately 24 to 40% by weight of potassium or approximately 12 to 24 % by weight of sodium, or a mixture thereof, each calculated as a percentage of the total hydroxycitric acid content of said composition.

[0066] An embodiment of the invention is a method for use in reducing body weight which comprises a prepared food product together with a hydroxycitric acid composition wherein said composition comprises at least approximately 40% by weight of hydroxycitric acid together with approximately 14 to 26% by weight of calcium, and approximately 24 to 40% by weight of

potassium or approximately 14 to 24% by weight of sodium, or a mixture thereof, each calculated as a percentage of the total hydroxycitric acid content of said composition, wherein the lactone forms of hydroxycitric acid comprise less than approximately 4% by weight of the total hydroxycitric acid content of the composition, wherein the composition is administered to said mammal in the range of from approximately 1 to approximately 25 milligrams per kilogram of body weight of said mammal per day.